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Title

Method and Furnace for the Vapor Phase Deposition of

Components onto Semiconductor Substrates with a Variable

Main Flow Direction of the Process Gas

Art Unit

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Examiner

Renee R. Berry

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RESPONSE

Hon. Commissioner for Patents

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated June 30, 2004, the following remarks are made:

In deference to the restriction requirement on pages 2 and 3 of the above-identified Office Action, applicant elects group II, claims 13-17, for prosecution at this time.

Applicant requests a rejoinder under MPEP §821.04.

In view of the foregoing, the early issuance of an Action on the merits of claims 13-17 is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

For Applicant

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